



## Data Sharing Committee

**To:** Indiana GIS Initiative

**From:** Bruce Nielsen

**Date:** October 17, 2000

**Re:** Meeting Minutes

**In Attendance:**

Deb Martin, City of South Bend  
Jill Saligoe-Simmel, IUPUI-Polis  
Kevin Petsche, IUPUI Library  
Anna Radue, IU-Bloomington  
Bruce Nielsen, USDA-NRCS

1. Introductions
2. Jill gave a presentation on some of the concepts behind a data clearinghouse, and how it fits within the current INGISI web page structure.
3. Bruce distributed a handout containing the key points of New York's Data Sharing Cooperative ([http://www.nysgis.state.ny.us/coop\\_brf.htm](http://www.nysgis.state.ny.us/coop_brf.htm)) for information and discussion
4. A brainstorming session on the question, "What we'd like to see in a data clearinghouse" yielded the following responses:
  - statewide availability
  - minimize impact on data contributors
  - search engine
  - internet access (is 24/7 availability possible?)
  - mandatory metadata w/ contributed data
  - distributed model (clearinghouse acts as portal instead of repository)
  - data compression (use standardized method?)
  - feedback to/from contributors
  - motivation to participate (difference between clearinghouse & cooperative)
  - some data open / some data password controlled
  - friendly interface

5. Sub-committee will present issues to INGISI (Bruce) and IGIC (Jill) at Oct. 19 meetings. Members will write 1-2 paragraphs addressing clearinghouse vs. cooperative issues:
  - Freedom of Information: Kevin
  - Broad Participation: Jill
  - Shared Maintenance: Bruce
  - Simplified Sharing: Deb
  - Fees: Anna
  - Empowered Custodians: Jill
  - Motivation to Contribute: JillSubmissions due to Jill by c.o.b Oct. 13.
6. Next Meeting: Oct. 23, 2000, 9-11 am at NRCS State Office